HHS CFBCI WEEKLY DIGEST FOR FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS Friday, September 22, 2006

INFORMATION FOR FBCOs

The White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiative is hosting regional conferences on President Bush's Initiative in cities across the country. The conferences are free but pre-registration is required. The next White House regional conference will take place on Tuesday, September 26, 2006, in Denver, CO. Interested representatives from faith-based and community organizations are encouraged to attend. For more information, **click here [LINK TO http://www.dtiassociates.com/fbci/]**

Pandemic Flu Preparedness: What Every Community Should Know

A National Live Satellite Broadcast and Webcast Friday, September 29, 2006 2:00 - 3:00 PM ET

The impact of pandemic influenza will be felt in every community by every citizen. Hospitals will be overwhelmed and pharmaceutical interventions will be in short supply. Critical infrastructure such as transportation, commerce, utilities, and public safety will be disrupted. With simultaneous outbreaks occurring over large geographic regions, communities will have to rely on local resources and coordinate their preparedness activities across all sectors. Networks and relationships have to be established to communicate and manage the risks, now and during the pandemic. This program will examine the case of California's Santa Clara County, where the community is preparing for a pandemic that will challenge their public health system and affect every aspect of their daily life.

Webcast Viewing: The webcast may be accessed at www.PublicHealthGrandRounds.unc.edu.

Review White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Grants Catalog
As you may notice in the grant opportunities listed below, most grant announcements requesting applications have closed. This is a good time of the year to review the White House Grants Catalog to identify opportunities that your organization may be eligible to compete for next fiscal year.

The Grants Catalog provides some basic information about the Federal grants process. It also lists over 170 programs that may interest your organization. Grants programs are organized into general categories ranging from programs for elders and the homeless to those that serve at-risk youth and people making the transition from welfare to work.

You can access this and many other helpful resources at: http://www.hhs.gov/fbci/funding.html